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JOSEPH B. MERCER BRIDGE — DESIGNATED.

No. 51 (House Resolution No. 43-84).

A RESOLUTION

To designate the "Joseph B. Mercer Bridge"; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Dr. Joseph B. Mercer, Mayor of the City of Brunswick, was recently killed in a tragic automobile accident; and

WHEREAS, he was born February 26, 1925, in Jasper County, and received his education at Monticello High School, the University of Georgia, and the Medical College of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he interned at the Columbus, Georgia City Hospital and became one of the outstanding medical practitioners in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he was a member of the American Academy of General Practice, the American Medical Association, the Medical Association of Georgia, was past President of the Georgia Chapter of the American Association of General Practice, past President of the Glynn County Medical Association, past Speaker of the House of Delegates of the Medical Association of Georgia, a member of the Brunswick Rotary Club, the Ocean Lodge of Masons, and the University of Georgia Bulldog Club, and was President-Elect of the Alumni Association of the Medical College of Georgia at the time of his death, and

WHEREAS, he was elected City Commissioner of Brunswick in 1963, and became Mayor of the City of Brunswick in 1964; and

WHEREAS, he was outstanding in the civic, religious and public affairs of his Community and State, and his death is a tragic loss to his city, his county, and his State; and

WHEREAS, it is befitting that his memory be honored by the designation of the newly constructed bridge over the Turtle River in Glynn County as the "Joseph B. Mercer Bridge."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of Georgia that the newly constructed bridge over the Turtle River in Glynn County be officially named and designated as the "Joseph B. Mercer Bridge."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Highway Department is hereby directed to place a befitting plaque or other means of identification on the aforesaid bridge, to be paid for from funds of said Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Family of Dr. Mercer, to the Governor, to the Secretary of State, and to the Director of the State Highway Department.

Approval Date: Approved March 31, 1965.